

RACING MUDLARKS TODAY. BASEBALL CORNELL IN TOWN. BOXING PETER MAHER KNOCKED OUT. ATHLETICS

RAIN AND MUD GREET RACEGOERS TODAY

April Showers Cast Gloom Over Owners, Officials, and Talent Alike—Card Well Filled and Attractive.

Tommy Burns and Arthur Redfern Engage in a Garrison Finish, the Best of the Meet—Tommy Foster Wins Again.

April showers are likely to continue throughout the day, which may militate against a large attendance at Benning this afternoon.

Today's card is a good one and the field is fairly well filled. Already enough rain has fallen to seriously affect the condition of the track.

The first race today should go to True Blue, with Rough Rider and Harrison in the money.

Petunia is likely to land the second, closely followed home by Peter Paul and Reverberate, while Gibson Light looks a good thing in the hurdle race.

Willard J. and Conchita should run second and third, respectively.

Mrs. Frank Foster is in grand form at present and should have no difficulty in winning the fourth, with Shrine second and Hylia third.

Merriment will probably get the money in the fifth race. Shrine and Athana are preferred in the order named for the place and show.

Benckart, Barbara Fritchie and H. L. Coleman may be the order of the finish in the last race.

Yesterday's Events.

Three favorites and a well-backed second choice scored for the talent at Benning yesterday.

The feature of the day was the finish in the third race, when Tommy Foster, on one occasion the longest-priced horse that ever won at Benning, flashed under the wire a winner by a short head from Merry-maker.

The former was ridden by Tommy Burns, while Arthur Redfern had the leg up on Merry-maker. Redfern, Burns, and Odum are rated as the best jockeys at the track, and great rivalry exists between them.

Up to date Redfern leads the list of winning riders by a big margin, and is looked upon by many as the best rider in the country. So when Burns and Redfern met on even terms made a full-furlong from home, the greatest excitement prevailed.

Head and head they raced, neither able to gain an inch of advantage until within two jumps from the wire, when Burns fairly lifted his mount past the judge's stand and got the decision by a short head. It was a hurried finish, and the Beau Brumm'n jockey won by superior jockeyship.

Tommy Foster's price was 3 to 1, and Merry-maker's 5 to 1. Meistersinger, Henderson up, 3 to 1, was third, two lengths back.

In the first race Dr. Saylor looked a winner all over, and the odds of 9 to 10 laid against him were eagerly accepted.

Orloff and Little Boy were steadily supported at 7 and 8 to 1, respectively, while Turnpike's price went up from 5 to 7 to 1. They broke to a bad start, with Little Boy, who was played heavily to show, at 6 to 5, left at the post. Dr. Saylor kept well up with the bunch all the way around, and when in the stretch drew away and won as he pleased by three lengths, under wraps.

He was ridden by Tommy Burns. Elmo (Odum), 7 to 1, and Turnpike (Redfern), 7 to 1, finished second and third in the order named.

Hist opened a favorite in the third event at 2 to 1, but was backed down to 7 to 5. He failed to run in the money.

Cloche d'Or (J. Jones), 10 to 1; Mollie Peyton (C. Sloan), 12 to 1, and Alma Girl (T. Burns), 7 to 1, finished first, second, and third, respectively.

The public could see nothing but List-away in the fourth race, a selling affair, for a two-year-old and upward, at four and a half furlongs, and expected him heavily, cutting his price down from 4 to 3 to 7 to 10. They cashed when the Lisak-Pittaway gelding, after getting the worst of the start, drew away in the last fifty yards and won by a length over Eclectic, who was a neck before Magic Flute. The Brown Monarch was the only other starter.

The handicap for three-year-olds and upward, over six furlongs, carded as the fifth event, brought out the best field of the day. Himself opened favorite, but closed at 9 to 5, with Wealth held at the same price. Tugal Bey was well backed and his odds fell from 4 to 3 to 1. April Shower, the only other starter, was the extreme outsider, held at 12 to 1. April Shower, under a strong ride from Minder, drew away in the stretch and won rather easily from Tugal Bey, who was a length and a half in front of Himself.

The sixth race, in which a poor lot went to the post, wound up the day's sport. Duke of Kendal (Redfern), 3 to 5, won; Wheeler B. (Haack), 6 to 1, second; Charnel (H. Calahan), 15 to 1, third.

Notes of the Track.

Little J. Jones, who rode Cloche d'Or to victory in the second race yesterday, was called into the steward's stand to explain statements made by him in regard to the running of True Blue one day last week.

James Todd Jockey Charlie McCafferty, son of Tony McCafferty, immediately after the race, that some one had offered him \$300 to pull True Blue. His mount, after showing prominently in the

first half of the journey, fell back in the rack when nearing the wire.

Later, the little fellow made a second statement that differed from the first, in that he had only been offered \$100 to pull his mount, and the name of the man who tried to tempt him was not the same as that of the person he had first implicated in his story.

Of course, the hearing is yet in a preliminary stage, and the stewards have not made public the result of their investigation.

When Burns, on Tommy Foster, out-rode Redfern, on Merry-maker, in the third race, he turned in his saddle and gave Redfern the merry ha ha. The smile on Tommy's face spread from ear to ear.

Glenacre, Examiner, Bedlington, Singling, Ben Battle, Calyx, and Little Boy have been ordered on the schooling list by Starter Mara Cassidy.

Tommy Foster was bid up to \$1,500 after he won the third race, and was bought in by his owner.

The second race was announced, at four and a half furlongs, for two-year-olds, failed to fill, and the sixth race, with fourteen entries, was divided, and the first seven horses drawn ran in the second race.

Henderson's ride on Jerry was a farce. Whatever chances he had of winning were ruined.

Shea wore goggles to keep the dust out of his eyes when he had the mount on Collegian in the second event. He didn't need them, as Collegian was always too far behind the bunch to catch any dust.

Animosity, on the strength of her good race Friday, when she finished third in a fair field, was made favorite in the third race, but was never in the running. The mare will win in the same company with a good rider.

Wealth was fractious on going to the post in the fifth race, and launched out her heels whenever anything came near her, barely missing Tugal Bey on a short head.

Burns rode two winners, a second and two thirds. Redfern had the leg up on two firsts, a second and a third.

On Thursday, April 9, the Handicap Steeplechase, about two miles, will be run.

The Amateur Cup, a highweight selling race, for three-year-olds and upward, at six furlongs, closed at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, with name, selling price, and colors. The horses are to be ridden by officers of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps of the United States, or by members of the Army and Navy Club, Metropolitan Club, Century Club, Chevy Chase Club, or undergraduates of the University of Georgetown.

Saturday, the Southern Steeplechase, open to qualified hunters representing clubs in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, at two miles, will be run. The horses will be ridden by gentlemen riders. Entries close tomorrow evening.

Entries also close tomorrow for the Easter Monday Selling Steeplechase, about two miles and one-half.

The feature events on the last day will be the Maiden Hurdle Race, mile and one-half, and the Second Benning Spring Handicap, seven furlongs.

REAL HAPPY OVER GOOD ONE THAT WENT THROUGH

Whistled Choice Repertoire Much to Other Man's Disgust.

Three well-dressed youngsters boarded a crowded car at Benning after the races yesterday afternoon and managed to find standing room on the platform.

As soon as the car started one of the young fellows pushed his hat far back on his head, leaned leisurely against the car railing, and began to whistle with the satisfied air of a man who has planned his faith to Mrs. Frank Foster.

His two companions looked as though they were in anything but a whistling mood. Their lips had been so bogus that they couldn't even find heart to discuss how much they would have made if they hadn't listened to the brown-eyed stable boy who had the reputation of never giving anybody a bum steer.

Whistling Rufus began with "Black Mandy," and then rendered a few bars of "The Tale of the Kangaroo." Next came a bit of Blanche Ring's favorite "Good Old Summer Time." The unconscious whistler looked over the Maryland hills as he wandered through his repertoire. When he struck "Mr. Doolley" one of his unhappy companions could restrain himself no longer, and inquired in a vinegar tone, "Who's turnin' the music for you?"

The only answer given by the happy whistler was a jingling of silver in his well-filled pockets.

PETER MAHER IS PUT OUT IN FIRST ROUND

BOSTON, April 7.—Peter Maher, the popular Irish boxer, was defeated by George Gardner, now of Lowell, but once of Ireland, too, in two minutes and ten seconds of the first round, at the Maverick Athletic Club meeting in East Boston last night.

Peter was too slow for the young heavy-weight from the Spindle City. The bout was at catch weights, Gardner weighed about 155 pounds, while Maher looked to weigh over 190.

Before the contest the experts figured that Maher would not last over three rounds, but his quick defeat surprised even the wisest.

FORT MYER TROOPERS' BIG ATHLETIC MEET

To Be Held Saturday, April 18—To Consist of Six Interesting Events.

The past few weeks have been busy ones for the troopers and officers alike at Fort Myer, Va. Competition drills have been held in order that the best drilled and most daring troop of riders might be selected to represent the United States army at the big indoor military tournament to be held at Madison Square Garden on April 27.

The composite troop of the Second Cavalry, commanded by Capt. Lloyd M. Brett, and the Fourth Battery, Field Artillery, commanded by Capt. Stephen M. Fiske, which drilled before a board of officers on Saturday morning, are the successful competitors.

Now that this momentous question has been settled, all attention is directed to the big military and athletic exercises to be held at the fort on Saturday, April 18, at 2 o'clock.

The troopers are training hard, and entries for the six events are rapidly filling. The program and the conditions governing the event are as follows:

No. 1—Relay race, 300 yards, 200 yards and return.

Team to consist of four men. Entries limited to one team per organization. Each man of team to run 100 yards. At start, two men at 100 yards, and one man at 200 yards. The man at starting point will carry a message; he runs to the first relay and gives the message to No. 2 of his own team, who carries it to the next relay and gives it to No. 3, who returns over the same ground for the third relay and hands the message to No. 4, who carries it back to the starting point. The runner first reaching the finish will be declared winner. Equipment: Baseball uniform. Any kind of shoes may be worn. First prize, \$3; second prize, \$2.

No. 2—Tent pegging. Entries limited to three men per organization. Pegs to be of soft wood, four inches wide, ten inches long, and to be driven two inches into the ground.

Course, ninety yards. Pegs thirty yards distant from each other. The start thirty yards from first peg. The goal to be the maneuvering gallop. Pegs to be taken by a front point against infantry. Each peg caught and held on point of saber shall count in points two; each peg not so caught, and held, but knocked down by a properly executed front point against infantry, shall count in points one; the contestant making the highest number of points to be declared winner. Ties to be decided by additional runs. The contestants to be equipped in uniform of the day with gauntlets, spurs and sabers; horses equipped with saddle and curb bridle. The sabers scabbard to be strapped to the saddle. First prize, \$3; second prize, \$2.

No. 3—Artillery event. Entries limited to three sections from the Fourth Battery Field Artillery. Each section complete. Sections to start at scratch, advance 100 yards, pass through two stakes 80 inches apart go into battery at least 100 yards beyond, fire one blank cartridge (cartridge to be in limber), change piece wheel with spare wheel, limber up and return to starting point. The section first reaching finish will be declared winner. One prize only, \$5.

No. 4—Relay race. Entries limited to one team from each organization. Team to consist of two men; No. 1 will be at the starting point at the position of stand to horse, armed with pistol, loaded with five blank cartridges, pistol in holster. No. 2 dismounted will be 200 yards distant from No. 1, armed with the carbine, five rounds of blank ammunition in the belt. At the pistol shot No. 1 mounts, rides toward No. 2, emptying pistol en route at supposed enemy, and replace pistol in holster at the same time. No. 2 fires his five shots lying down. No. 2 then mounts behind No. 1 still retaining his carbine, and both return to the starting point. No. 1 must have one (1) and only one (1) shot not fired. The first team to be winner. First prize, \$3; second prize, \$2.

No. 5—Potato race. Mounted bareback. Potatoes to be placed 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, and 100 yards from starting point; horses to be ridden to and from each potato, which in turn is to be taken separately to the starting point and there deposited in a basket. The man who deposits the ten potatoes in the shortest time to be the winner. Limited to one man per organization. First prize, \$3; second prize, \$2.

No. 6—Mounted melee. Entries limited to four men per organization. Each man will be equipped with mask, plastron, right-hand glove, and wooden sabre, on mask and left shoulder of each man will be placed a rosette. The first teams to contest will be decided by the judges. The teams so selected will be placed twenty yards apart, and at the pistol shot will advance toward each other; the object being to knock the rosettes off their opponents; the time being three minutes. The team retaining the greatest number of rosettes will be the winner of that heat. The remaining two teams will then contest above. The two winning teams will then contest in the final heat for the prize. One prize only, \$5.

The following officers will officiate: Referee, Capt. L. M. Brett, Second Cavalry; Judges, Captain Clark, Lieutenant Parker, and Lieutenant Pike; starter, Lieut. J. W. Moore; clerk of the course, Lieutenant Carpenter; marshal, Captain Rucker; scorer, Lieutenant Smith; distributor of prizes, Lieutenant Martin. Committee of arrangements, Captain Trout, Lieutenant Eby, and Lieutenant Taubke.

PHILLIES BEAT THE CHAMPION ATHLETICS

Rube Waddell Went to Pieces in Tenth Inning and Lost the Game.

PHILADELPHIA, April 7.—In the first game of the city championship series the Philadelphia National League nine shut out the champion Athletics of the American League, with the score of 2 to 0, in ten innings. Waddell held the "Phillies" to two hits, but lost the game. The champions could do little with Mitchell, a new pitcher for the Philadelphia. Score by innings:

	R.	H.	E.
Am. League	0	0	0
Nat. League	2	2	0

Batteries—Mitchell and Rube Waddell and Shreckengost and Embree—Moran and Smith. Attendance—6,545.

BROAD, WHO KNOCKED OUT YOUNG CORBETT, BESTED

PHILADELPHIA, April 7.—Billy Maharg, the "Plover" from Foxchare, bested Kid Broad in a six-round contest at the Washington Sporting Club last night.

Broad, who is famous for having knocked out "Young Corbett" in Denver some years ago, made a very poor showing against the local boy. Broad had several pounds the advantage in weight, but Maharg did all the leading, and forced the fighting through the six rounds.

Broad played continuously for the ribs and stomach, while Maharg, with a straight left, tried to add to the beauty of the Cleveland man's countenance, and with a good stiff right put several hard blows to Broad's stomach which made him groan.

LANGDONS AWAIT CHALLENGE.

The Langdon baseball club has organized for the season with a bright outlook for the future. They would like to arrange games with any amateur club in the District. On Monday evening, April 13, a minstrel musicale and dance will be given for the benefit of the team. A large attendance is expected by the management. Challenges may be addressed to A. C. Bergh, Langdon, D. C.

SPALDING'S GUIDE MORE COMPLETE THAN EVER

Washington is well taken care of in the "Spalding Baseball Guide" for 1903, which has just been published. The American League team of last year, the Georgetown nine, and the record of each individual player is set forth in detail, and the local fans will doubtless be pleased with it. The book is edited as usual by Henry Chadwick, "the father of baseball," and contains a complete history of the national game.

The editor has gone to the very foundation of the game and shows that the first regular baseball club was organized in 1823, just seventy years ago. In all there are 1,966 portraits in the book. One of the chief features is the averages of every baseball player in America. They are all run together, and at a glance the average of each can be seen and compared.

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	R.	H.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Bliss	1	3	0	0	0	0
Dwyer, R.	2	2	2	0	0	0
Beetom, 2b.	2	2	2	0	0	0
Schroder, c. (Capt.)	2	4	13	2	0	0
Cavanaugh, rf.	1	1	0	0	0	0
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Latta, lb.	1	1	0	2	1	0
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CORNELL HERE FOR GAME WITH GEORGETOWN TODAY

At 4:15 o'clock this afternoon, weather permitting, the Georgetown baseball nine, which has shown up well, so far this year, will attempt to take a fall out of the strong Cornell team which has swept everything before it on its Southern trip.

The Blue and Gray lads hope to drub the Ithaca boys today since they have not had a crack at them for two seasons. Rain prevented the game last year, and the Georgetown boys were bitterly disappointed, and it is hoped the elements will be more forbearing today. Hugh Jennings, the coach of the Cornell aggregation, and his proteges arrived in Washington about noon, and went directly to the Ebbitt House.

Graduate Manager of Athletics M. J. Thompson received the suits for the team yesterday, and the boys donned them for practice. The line-up: Cornell—Bigger, center field; Brewster, first base; Lewis, shortstop; Brannan, second base; Drake, right field; Costello, second base; Winstead, left field; Welch, catcher; Chase and Merrill, pitchers.

Georgetown—Dowling, first base; Doran, second base; Morgan, third base; Apperious, catcher; Hart, right field; McGettrigan, second base; Keane, center field; Byrnes, right field; Titus and Fay, pitchers.

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